

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Claim 1 (Currently amended) A slider for a concealed slide fastener, comprising:
a bottom plate;
~~wherein~~ side walls that are erected on both sides of a the bottom plate;
a flange is provided by bending a top end of each side wall inwardly; and
a down-grade slope, which is continuously inclined downward from ~~a leading-~~
~~ending of~~ a shoulder opening side of the flange to the bottom plate ~~a shoulder opening,~~
is provided ~~between~~ on the flange and the side wall.

Claim 2 (Canceled)

Claim 3 (Currently amended) A slider for a concealed slide fastener according to claim 1, wherein ~~the leading end~~ the shoulder opening side of the flange is disposed at a right angle to or tilted toward a rear mouth side gradually in an inside direction, with respect to a side face of a guide post.

Claim 4 (Currently Amended) A slider for a concealed slide fastener according to claim 1, wherein the down-grade slope of the flange is formed from a portion in which a mounting shaft of a pull is supported pivotally by a guide post as a starting point.

Claim 5 (Currently amended) A slider for a concealed slide fastener according to claim 1, wherein the down-grade slope disposed ~~between~~ on the flange and the side wall is formed such that a longitudinal sectional shape of the side wall-is linear.

Claim 6 (Currently amended) A slider for a concealed slide fastener according to claim 1, wherein the down-grade slope disposed ~~between~~ on the flange and the side wall is formed such that a longitudinal sectional shape of the side wall-is curved.

Claim 7 (Canceled)